

Iron County Register

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NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

On the 31st Conway Brown, a Harvard student, killed himself at the home of a friend in Providence, R. I.

On the 31st Alexander Brodgen, a member of the British Parliament and iron master, failed for £23,000. Henry Brodgen failed for a like amount.

ANOTHER victim, Fritz Holder, who was wounded in the affair of Christmas Eve at Yazoo City, Miss., died on the 1st. It is believed by Captain Pike of the ill-fated Arctic steamer Proteus, that Lieutenant Greely and party are safe at Lady Franklin Bay.

On the 1st the Emperor of Germany kept open house. So did the President of the United States.

In the Bond trial General Ben Edwards made the closing speech on the 31st. The case was given to the jury on the 2d.

At Unity, N. H., Edward Keyes died a few days ago, leaving an estate valued at \$12,045. His will bequeaths the \$45 to his daughter, while the schools of the town get the \$12,000.

On the 31st, Matthew Coudy, aged seventy, died at his residence in St. Louis, Mo. A telegram was sent to his brother James in Hancock, Md., announcing his death. In about an hour a telegram was received in St. Louis carrying intelligence of the death of James, aged eighty years. Their deaths occurred just an hour apart.

JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL has resigned the Rectorship of St. Andrew's University. The funeral of the late Archbishop Perche took place at New Orleans on the 2d with imposing ceremonies.

SENATOR SABIN, of Minnesota, favors a cessation of debt payment and wants outstanding bonds converted into fifty-year two per cents.

It was expected that Lieutenant Harber, in charge of De Long's body, would reach the terminus of the railroad, at Oremberg, Russia, by the 15th.

On the 3d Judge Kregel decided in the United States Court at Kansas City that the Missouri authorities are entitled to the custody of Frank James till the Blue Cut robbery case is disposed of.

In Paris the Marquis de Rays has been sentenced to four years' imprisonment for enticing many persons into a bogus colonization scheme. Four of his associates were given two years each and one five years.

THE Khedive of Egypt wants his Minister of Finance to cut down expenses.

JUDGE THURMAN, of Ohio, has gone to Eureka Springs, Ark.

THE oath of office was taken by Governor Robinson, of Massachusetts, on the 3d.

COLONEL SUDEIKEN's murderers have been arrested in St. Petersburg.

On the 3d Captain Pike, of the Proteus, gave the Arctic Board his views on a plan for relief of Lieutenant Greely.

J. E. AND Wm. REDMOND, Irish members of the British Parliament have landed in San Francisco from Australia.

It is said the Women's Christian Temperance Union is about to initiate another political movement to secure a Prohibition plank in one of the National Convention platforms this year.

ALTHOUGH declared not guilty by the jury, the troubles of the defendants in the Emma Bond outrage case in Illinois are by no means ended. There appears to be a studied aversion to their presence in the community they formerly called home, and each seems to be seeking an abiding place more conducive to health and longevity.

GENERAL SLOCUM proposes to have Congress vote on a free ship bill.

The resignation of Henry Villard was presented to the Northern Pacific Board on the 4th and accepted.

PRESIDENT GOWEN of the Reading Road, it is said, will resign to become general solicitor of the entire Vanderbilt system.

On the 4th Henry Villard made an assignment, transferring to William Endicott and Horace White all his property, including the new house.

It is now reported that the recent alleged accident to the Czar of Russia was in reality an attempt on his life by nihilists, who claim that he has given him a fair trial, and that he has failed to introduce promised reforms.

SPEAKER CARLISLE continues to receive dispatches from members of the Kentucky Legislature urging him to allow his name to be used as a candidate for the Senate. A good many Kentuckians in Washington believe that the outcome of the contest will be Carlisle's election.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

On the 29th Henry Tape was arrested at Lynchburg, Va., charged with several attempts to wreck trains.

On the evening of the 29th a mob went to the jail at Yazoo City, Miss., and lynched four negroes charged with the murder of the Posey brothers.

WHILE on the way to fill an appointment to preach, Rev. Samuel Andrews was recently assassinated in the Choctaw Nation.

By the breaking of the Huron Mill dam near Houghton, Mich., on the 2d, five lives were lost.

On the 1st, by the sinking of a steam-launch belonging to the Government near Vicksburg, Miss., W. J. Patterson, assistant United States engineer, and two laborers were drowned.

A DESPERADO named James Williams, confined in jail at Ottumwa, Ia., shot the turnkey dead on the 2d and made his escape.

On the 2d the hotel, Court-house and nine business buildings at Breckenridge, Minn., were destroyed by fire.

On the 2d a railway disaster with serious loss of life occurred near Toronto, Ont. More than twenty men were killed and many wounded.

On the 2d the tow-boats Bunton and Case, with a tow from Pittsburgh, were caught by the ice at Davis Island, in the Ohio River. Three barges sunk, the Case went ashore and the Bunton took fire and sank. Four lives are reported lost.

On the night of the 1st a west-bound express train on the Wabash Road struck a wagon near Napoleon, O., containing five young men, killing Frank Long and Wm. Rogers, and badly injuring George Arps. Long leaves a wife; the others were unmarried. A freight train on a side-track concealed the approaching train.

On the 2d the elevator of Smith Bros. brewery, New York, fell, seriously injuring five persons, including the two proprietors, Donald and McPherson Smith. The others injured were Otto Cole and Geo. Wiedmeiser, who were visiting the building, and Charles Saver, employee.

On the morning of the 3d the Republic Oil Works at Cleveland, O., were on fire, the cooper-shop being in flames, with a prospect that they would extend to other buildings.

On the 3d several mills and residences burned at Scottsdale, Pa.

On the 3d two men were fatally poisoned by drinking beer at Ithaca, N. Y.

NEAR Buffalo a large trestle on the New York Central Railway was blown down by the terrible storm that raged on the 2d and 3d.

AFTER committing forgeries to the amount of \$100,000, E. H. Korbe, a clerk for Sperry & Burnes of New York, is reported as having absconded.

On the coast of England fogs have led to numerous wrecks within the past few days.

On the 4th two conductors of the Pennsylvania Railroad were arrested in Philadelphia for embezzlement.

On the afternoon of the 4th the Tabor Opera-house at Denver, Col., took fire, but by prompt work of the fire department it was saved from destruction, and the performances were not interrupted.

On the evening of the 3d a collision occurred on the Canadian Pacific Railroad. Nine residents of Montreal and three officials of the railroad were injured.

On the 4th the dwelling of J. V. Garver, near Duke Center, Pa., burned, and his four children, who had been left in the house, perished in the flames.

On the morning of the 5th the old St. Nicholas Hotel in St. Louis, Mo., together with adjoining property, burned. The night was one of the coldest ever experienced in the city, and the suffering of the firemen was intense. The loss will foot up in excess of \$100,000.

THE committee appointed to prepare an improved plan for carrying mails by rail has sent its report to Congress.

TRAINS were reported blocked by snow on the 2d in Eastern Canada.

A NUMBER of Cincinnati boot and shoe firms have declared the Board of Arbitration, which for some time past has been settling difficulties between employers and employees, a failure.

THE flood in the Ohio River had closely approached the danger line on the 2d.

In France a revolutionary uprising is apprehended in the Southern provinces.

DURING the past year the railway foreclosures covered eighteen roads with 1,344 miles of track.

THREE of the Southern Pacific train robbers are in custody. One has confessed.

THERE is an accumulation of evidence to show that old man Griffiths, of Salem, was shot by his own son and the body robbed.

On the 1st the National debtless cash in Treasury was \$1,498,417,233. The actual reduction for December was \$1,743,337.

SURF has been brought by a man whose eyes were put out by a cinder falling from the Manhattan Elevated Railway for \$50,000 damages.

THE Court of Appeals of St. Louis, Mo., declines to interfere to save Kate Douglas from hanging. The judgment in the case of Conrad Rose, however, is reversed and a new trial ordered.

FROM one to three deaths daily from cholera still occur in Cairo, Egypt.

AN election will be held in Massachusetts on the 17th for Congressmen, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Governor Robinson.

FOR the third time Wm. McHugh, the Cincinnati wife-murderer, has been convicted of murder in the first degree.

On the 2d the Sullivan combination became embroiled in a free fight at Denver, Col. Sullivan was run out of a hotel by the proprietor, who furnished a revolver. One policeman was knocked out and all the thugs were finally jailed.

In his report the Secretary of the American Iron and Steel Association says shrinkage for the year in prices was four dollars on No. 1 anthracite pig-iron, three dollars on gray forge pig-iron and five dollars on steel rails. It is thought the bottom has been reached.

THE surrender of the last band of Apaches from Sonora is said to have had an excellent effect on the mining interests of Arizona and New Mexico. A feeling of greater security prevails and capital is being freely invested.

TWO more torpedo boats have been ordered by the Chinese Government from Germany.

THE earnings of the Denver & Rio Grande Road for the past year show an increase of \$1,038,000.

THE fire losses for the United States in the year past aggregated \$107,000,000.

THE New Jersey wife and child murderer, Martin, was hanged on the 3d at Newark.

On the 3d five more victims of the Toronto railroad disaster died, making twenty-eight in all.

It is said the Rothschilds are negotiating for the purchase of the French Government railways.

THE Democratic Editorial Association of Indiana held its annual meeting at Indianapolis on the 3d.

THE delegate convention of Pennsylvania coal miners commenced its session at Pittsburgh on the 3d for purposes of organization.

It is reported that Baker Pasha is trying to open a line of retreat for the garrison of Khartoum, and that El Mahdi is gaining ground.

CURRIEN, the Alsatian who wanted to shoot the French Prime Minister Ferry, has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

It is estimated by the Director of the Mint that between five and six million trade dollars are in the hands of the people at large.

THE nail-workers throughout the country are trying to arrange it so that hereafter the mills can be kept going in winter and shut down in hot weather.

In Canada measures are being taken to induce the Canadian Pacific Road to make Halifax, N. S., its winter port instead of Portland, Me.

FOR 1883 the gross earnings of the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain Railways was \$17,104,441; net earnings \$7,902,341; net profits after payment of fixed charges, \$4,213,703.

THE appropriation bills have been assigned by Congressman Randall to subcommittees for preparation. An effort will be made to report all the bills before the 1st of May.

FOR the past year the Northwestern earnings show an increase of \$1,140,926.

THE bank of Henner & Moore at Morris, Minn., has closed; liabilities, \$100,000.

THE iron trade of Lake Superior is reported in a very depressed condition.

ONLY three out of 170 English Liberal members of Parliament whose opinions have been obtained are opposed to giving Ireland the same rights and privileges as enjoyed by England.

On the 3d, at a meeting at the Grand Hotel, San Francisco, Cal., to make arrangements for holding a World's Fair in that city in 1887, it was resolved to provide a guarantee fund of a million dollars; when obtained to petition Congress and the State Legislature for appropriations. The feeling was strongly in favor of carrying the project through. The meeting represented three hundred million dollars.

THE railroad accident record is growing at a fearful rate in the new year.

On the 4th another victim of the Orange riots died at Harbor Grace, N. F.

It is said the House Committee on Expenditures contemplate investigating the Department of Justice.

DURING January dividends and interest to the amount of \$270,000,000 will be disbursed in New York.

UPWARDS of thirty arrests have been made in St. Petersburg on account of the Sudeikin murder.

A LARGE number of persons have been dangerously poisoned by eating tainted meat in a Montreal (Can.) convent.

UNLESS England will assist in the defense of Egypt, the Khedive favors giving the Sudan to Turkey.

On the night of the 3d special guards were placed on the London railways in anticipation of Fenian mischief.

FOR the week ending the 4th the business failures were 319 for the United States and 29 for Canada, the largest number ever reported.

THE earnings of the Union Pacific for the eleven months ended November 30 decreased \$451,242, and expenses increased \$242,554.

AN unusually large number of workmen are idle in Pittsburgh, Pa.; business is increasing in the iron trade, and the outlook is hopeful.

On the 4th at Eastman, Ga., a negro murderer under sentence of death attempted suicide, but was carried to the scaffold when almost insensible and hanged.

THE Insurance Commissioner of Massachusetts recommends the imposition of a penalty upon domestic companies for illegal reinsurance in unauthorized companies.

On the 4th a stock train of twenty cars was snowed in on the Wabash Road eleven miles south of Chicago, and all attempts to extricate it failed. It was supposed the stock had all perished. Trains were blocked or delayed in every direction.

THE steamer Wisconsin, which left Milwaukee for Grand Haven, Mich., on the evening of the 3d was compelled to put back to Milwaukee, where she arrived after being exposed for forty hours to a terrific gale and intense cold. She was covered with ice three inches thick, and her Captain says it was the worst weather he ever experienced, the thermometer indicating twenty-three degrees below zero.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

CONGRESS reassembled on the 7th.

THE applications for patents average 2,000 per month.

THERE are eleven ex-Governors in the United States Senate.

THE brewery property in the United States is valued at \$15,000,000.

THE Maryland Legislature begins balloting for a United States Senator on the 15th.

THE Milwaukee suits against McKeech, growing out of his failure in the famous pork corner, have been compromised.

THE anniversary of Gambetta's funeral was observed in Paris on the 6th with formal tributes of respect.

GERMANY harvested a medium crop of good quality. The Austrian crop was not so good.

ACCOUNTS all agree that the recent cold snap was the most severe and widespread of any experience in the country since the winter of 1863-4.

CARDINAL McCLOSKEY will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination as a priest on the 12th inst.

St. Louis, Mo., was visited by another costly conflagration the night of the 5th. The stores of Burrell & Comstock, furniture; Merrick, Walh & Phelps, jewelry; the Goodyear Rubber Company, and Withmar, Gray & Kaminski, chinaware, on Fourth street, were burned out, involving a loss of nearly \$500,000.

THE Fire Department of St. Louis, Mo., was in extraordinary on the 6th. Chief Sexton had been carried home, broken down and delirious from over-exertion and exposure, the engine houses all looked very much like hospitals and the Department had lost seriously in apparatus. Mayor Ewing in the emergency authorized the employment of 100 extra men to dig out hose and ladders from the ice, and assist in restoring things to a state of efficiency.

By the burning of the Convent of the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception at Belleville, Ill., on the 5th, twenty-two pupils and six of the Sisters perished. A number of bodies were recovered from the ruins on the 6th and nine were identified. Others were unrecognizable. The death list was as follows: Martha Mannel, Carondelet; Mary Bartels, Josephine Ploudre, Centerville; Lotta Pierson, Susie Wolmar, Emma Stark, Mamie Sealing and Agnes Sealing, St. Louis; Lizzie Isch, Centerville; Laura Thompson, Chester; Mamie Pulce, Columbia; Minnie Bailey, Virginia Heinzelman, Mary Bien and Delphia Schlerntzauer, Belleville; Hilda Hummel and Emily Leunhardt, Trenton; Kitty Urban, Emdalia; Gertrude Strunk, Germany; Mary Manning, St. Louis; Sister Superior Mary Jerome, and Sisters Agnelia, Edwina and Modvda; Miss Mary Campbell, teacher, East St. Louis.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

An Important Educational Circular.

JEFFERSON CITY, Jan. 3.

Hon. William E. Coleman has issued the following circular concerning Spring schools:

The question is often asked, "Under the new law can we have a Spring school in 1884?"

Answer: That will depend entirely upon circumstances. All moneys voted for school purposes at the annual meeting, April 1, 1884, must be applied to the maintenance and support of schools during the year included between July 1, 1884, and June 30, 1885; and the money voted next April can not be used to run a school during the months of April, May and June. The last General Assembly changed the school year so that it now begins July 1 and ends June 30 following.

At the annual school meeting, April 1, 1884, provision must be made for the year following July 1, 1884, and no money voted for "school purposes" at that meeting, can be used prior to July 1, 1884. So, the only way in which you can have a Spring school in 1884 is this: In the event you have money on hand April 1, 1884, you can apply it toward running a Spring school. But all school moneys on hand before June 30, 1884, must be applied to the year ending June 30, 1885.

The present school year began April 1, 1883, under the old law, and under the new law, will continue to June 30, 1884; and should you desire to have a Spring school in 1885 you must vote the money or funds to run it at the meeting April 1, 1884, i. e., at the annual school meeting in April you must arrange for the next year, commencing July 1, 1884.

It will be well for every district to look to this matter, and start in straight under the new law.

At the annual meeting, April 1, 1884, provision must be made for the entire term from July 1, 1884, to June 30, 1885, and should you desire to have a Spring school in 1885 you must vote the money or funds to run it at the meeting April 1, 1884, i. e., at the annual school meeting in April you must arrange for the next year, commencing July 1, 1884.

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